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Appellant: Martin W. Masters et al.
Application No: 09/944,314
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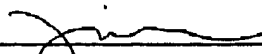
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Sir:

As discussed with Mr. Craig Feinberg at the Board today, related application serial no. 09/944,315 is also on appeal and, given the similarity of issues presented in both appeals, appellants requested that the oral hearing in the '315 application be consolidated and heard together with the above-identified appeal. As instructed, appellants are confirming their intent to proceed with the August 10, 2005 hearing in appeal no. 2005-1380 with the understanding that both appeals will be heard on that date or, should such scheduling not be possible, a hearing on both appeals will be scheduled for another date.

Dated: July 18, 2005

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